(j) the number of rats caught and destroyed;

(k) the number of traps that were brought, stocked and distributed to the houses or warehouses for catching rats;

(l) the number of rat traps now available and what use they are to be put to after the two towns are declared to be free of plague?

Diwan Bahadur Dr. V. Verghese.—(a) Rs. 7,606—3—0.

(b) Items on which money was spent.—

(1) Pay and allowance of temporary staff.
(2) Inoculation outfit, serum, etc.
(3) Rat traps purchased.
(4) Cost of rat poison, baits, etc.
(5) Isolation sheds in Pallivirutti.
(6) Telephone rent.
(7) Cost of sprayers, disinfectants, uniforms to the plague staff, and other miscellaneous charges.

(c) Isolation sheds were constructed only in Mattancheri (Pallivirutti Maidan) at a cost of Rs. 242—3—8.

(d) None occupied the sheds.

(e) (1) Rat destruction.
(2) Inoculation.
(3) Evacuation.
(4) Disinfection.
(5) Observation and surveillance of contacts.
(6) Arrangements were also made at the Trichur and Poonkunnam Railway Stations to examine arrivals from the infected locality.

(f) 21,479.

(g) 17 persons died of plague, of whom one had been inoculated. No information is available as to deaths from other causes of the persons inoculated.

(h) Rs. 4,384—8—5.

(i) Mattancheri 14.
Ernakulam 3.

(j) 5,204 rats were caught and destroyed.

(k) 465 traps.

(l) 455 traps. These will be sold in auction.

Assignment of forest and puthuval lands.

552. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state.—

(1) the total area of forest land and puthuval land assigned to the public annually in the last two years;

(2) of which how many acres from each have been assigned to non-Cochinites;

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(3) from each of the above two classes of lands how many acres have been annually assigned to the so-called depressed classes?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—

	Year.	Forest lands. A. C.	Puthuval lands. A. C.
(1)	1102	246 72	216 18
	1103	1307 73	67 83
(2)	1102	28 77	3 55
	1103	68 88	Nil.
(3)	1102	26 33	11 59½
	1103	Nil.	5 77

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—May I know what are the answers to sub-divisions (2) and (3) of my question?

President.—After you have put the question, please sit down to enable the Government Member to answer.

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—Two and three are answered. They are printed there.

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Of which how many acres have been assigned to non-Cochinites?

Mr. T. M. Krishna Menon.—This forms the subject-matter of sub-division (2) and that is answered. In 1102, 28 and odd acres of forest lands and 3 and odd acres of puthuval lands. In 1103, 68 and odd acres of forest lands and no area of puthuval lands.

Necessity for a road in Chalakkudi from the Anchal Office to the Potteries.

553. **Mr. C. J. Mathew.**—Will the Government kindly state whether they are aware of the extreme necessity for a road from the place where the Anchal Office at Chalakkudi is situated straight up to the Potteries to meet the road leading to the Railway station?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The Government do not consider the road to be necessary at present.

Lease of a tank in Nemmanikara.

554. മിസ്റ്റർ ടി. എ. രാമചന്ദ്രയ്യർ.—താഴേ ചോദിക്കുന്നതിന്നു ഗവൺമെണ്ടു ദയവായി മറുപടി പറയാമോ:—

നന്മണിക്കര വില്ലേജിൽ മാഞ്ഞാൻകഴി ചിറക്കു സമീപം സർവ്വെ ഫസ്റ്റ് ഓ-ന്റെ സൈഡിൽ കരവെച്ചു സ്ഥലം പാട്ടത്തിന്നു ഏല്പിച്ചിട്ടുണ്ടോ; ഉണ്ടെങ്കിൽ ഏതു ഉദ്ദ്യോഗക്കാരൻ; അവിടെ സമീപത്തു ജനങ്ങൾക്കു കുളിക്കുന്നതിന്നും കന്നുകാലികളെ ഇറക്കുന്നതിന്നും ഈ കരവയ്യിനോളം സൌകര്യമുള്ള സ്ഥലം വേറെ ഇല്ലെന്നുള്ള വിവരം ഗവൺമെണ്ടറിഞ്ഞിട്ടുണ്ടോ; പാട്ടത്തിനേല്പി

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